IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

MORLOCK, L.L.C. A TEXAS LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY)
Plaintiff,)
·	C.A. No.: 4:12-cv-1585
V.)
THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON)
TRUST COMPANY, N.A., TRUSTEE,)
Defendant.)

DEFENDANT'S ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT 1

COMES NOW defendant The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Trustee ("BONYM") and submits the following Answer to Plaintiff's Complaint. The numbered paragraphs below correspond to the numbered paragraphs in the Complaint.

DISCOVERY

1. Paragraph 1 contains no allegations directed to BONYM and therefore no response is required.

PARTIES

- 2. Upon information and belief, BONYM admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 2.
 - 3. Denied.

¹ Plaintiff's "Original Petition and Application for Temporary Restraining Order" is referred to herein as the "Complaint."

FACTS

- 4. Denied.
- 5. BONYM admits that on February 9, 2006, Mingfeng Zhu and Tsan Hung Timothy So executed a promissory note ("Note") and deed of trust ("Deed of Trust) related to property located at 1958 Augusta Drive, Houston, Texas 77057 (the "Property"), and that the Note and Deed of Trust were later assigned to BONYM.
- 6. BONYM is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 6, and therefore deny the same.
 - 7. Denied.
 - 8. Denied.
 - 9. Denied.

REMEDIES

- 10. BONYM denies that Plaintiff is entitled to the requested relief or to any relief whatsoever.
- 11. BONYM is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph 11 concerning Plaintiff's agreements with any attorneys, and therefore denies the same. However, BONYM denies that Plaintiff is entitled to the requested relief or to any relief whatsoever.

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12. BONYM denies that Plaintiff is entitled to the requested relief or to any relief whatsoever.

- 13. Upon information and belief, BONYM admits that the Property is worth approximately \$151,000.00. BONYM denies the remaining allegations contained in Paragraph 13, and denies that Plaintiff is entitled to the requested relief or to any relief whatsoever.
- 14. BONYM denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 14, and denies that Plaintiff is entitled to the requested relief or to any relief whatsoever.
- 15. BONYM denies that Plaintiff is entitled to the requested relief or to any relief whatsoever.

In response to the prayer for relief set forth below Paragraph 15 and commencing with "WHEREFORE," BONYM denies that Plaintiff is entitled to the requested relief or to any relief whatsoever.

AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

- 1. Some of Plaintiff's claims are barred because it lacks standing.
- 2. Some of Plaintiff's claims fail to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.
- 3. Plaintiff's claims are barred by the terms and conditions of the Note and Deed of Trust.
- 4. Plaintiff's claims are barred by its failure to do equity and by the doctrine of unclean hands.
 - 5. Plaintiff has failed to mitigate its claimed damages.
- 6. BONYM pleads the defenses of laches, acquiescence, ratification, statute of frauds, statute of limitations, res judicata, release, waiver, accord and satisfaction, payment, license, judicial estoppel, and collateral estoppel.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on May 24, 2012, I served a copy of the foregoing via the Court's electronic filing system and by first-class U.S. Mail to the following:

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